



T e l l T a l e s



Commodore's Log by Derek Budd

Racing – Keeping Things Interesting

Racing is not for everyone, but it's one of the things that a lot of sailors do to keep things interesting. Trying to get your crew and boat to perform at its best requires sailors to keep their boat in good working order, understanding the basic rules of racing and consistent work to improve execution. For "Gear Heads" as many sailors are, there's a never ending opportunity to tweak your boat to make it easier to sail, faster or just a little better, in some satisfying way. But most racers know that the real reason they win or lose is the decisions and execution of sailing maneuvers. This where sailing gets interesting. Should I tack now, or later? Should I go left or right? Am I going as fast as I can? Why can't I catch that guy? There are lots of little problems to solve. It's a great mental and physical challenge. Many races will be frustrating because you'll realize that there's something you're not doing as well as you would like, or you don't really understand why your boat does or does not do something. But through this process, you'll learn a lot.

Each year the Rogue Yacht Club puts on a number of one day trophy races, multi-day series races, and the annual regatta. Most of our races rely on Portsmouth handicapping allowing different types of boats to compete against each other. This is good, because we have a fairly small fleet with lots of different kinds of boats. So, no matter what kind of boat you have, you can join in the fun. The RYC is a great place to try out racing because our races are small, casual and generally under forgiving conditions. Each year we have the Commodore's Cup race. This event is designed specifically for new racers. But most racers just give it a shot and try to mix it up as much as they dare.

Sailing racing, like all sports, is played within a set of rules. A lot of the fun is using the rules to put yourself in a favorable position or to leave your competitor in an undesirable position. Some racers (I won't mention Gary Spafford's name) revel in putting his competitors in a box. At the beginning of each season (right before the Ice Breaker), one of the experienced racers will give a short overview of the main racing rules

to help refresh everyone on the basics so we're all on the same page. Of course there's the official book of sailing rules with diagrams and descriptions of various situations for complete coverage of the rules. But the knowing and using the rules is part of what makes racing challenging. In the beginning this is a bit intimidating, but we all have to start somewhere.

This year, for the first time in quite a while the club will have a "One Design" racing fleet. The fleet will be Lasers – the most numerous one design boat in the world. One Design races are simply races where all the boats are the same. This makes for very close and competitive racing. Jay Harland has spearheaded the effort to bring one design racing back into the club. It should be a lot of fun and hopefully will continue for many years to come.



So, if you find Howard Prairie is getting small, and you haven't tried racing, you might find it's just the thing to expand your interest in sailing and become a better sailor.

RYC 2012 Calendar

JUNE

- 02 Saturday--EDUCATION: RACING RULES CLINIC**
All racers encouraged to attend: 10:30 a. m.
- 02 Saturday--RACE: ICEBREAKER TROPHY**
Skippers' Meet 12:00 p.m. / First Shape 1:00 p.m.
- 02 Saturday--SOCIAL: Icebreaker Micro-Brew Festival**
TIME: 5:00 p. m. PLACE: RYC Shed
BRING: Something to BBQ, something to share, own drink.
- 09 Saturday--RACE: PORTSMOUTH SERIES #1**
Skippers' Meet 12:00 p.m. / First Shape 1:00 p.m.
- 23 Saturday--RACE: JENSEN TROPHY**
Skippers' Meet 12:00 p.m. / First Shape 1:00 p.m.
- 23 Saturday--SOCIAL: Summer SAILstice potluck**
TIME: 5:00 p. m. PLACE: RYC Shed
BRING: Something to BBQ, something to share, own drink.
- 30 Saturday--SOCIAL: Ladies' Sail Day**
An opportunity for Club women and friends to sail together.
TIME: 1:00 p. m. MEET: RYC Shed
DINNER RAFT-UP: 5:00 p. m. PLACE: Hoxie Creek



JULY

07 Saturday--RACE: PORTSMOUTH SERIES #2

Skippers' Meet 12:00 p. m. / First Shape 1:00 p. m.

14 Saturday--SOCIAL: YOUNG SAILORS DAY

TIME: 1:00 p. m. PLACE: RYC Shed

An event to encourage involvement of children, and to promote enjoyment of sailing among current and future junior sailors. Event open to members friends and family.

21 Saturday--RACE: STAMM TROPHY & PORTSMOUTH SERIES #3

Skippers' Meet 1:00 p. m. / First Shape 2:00 p. m.

Regatta Race Committee Tune-up

21 Saturday--SOCIAL: Cheeseburger in Paradise Potluck

TIME: 5:00 p. m. PLACE: RYC Shed

BRING: Something to BBQ, something to share, own drink.

WEAR: Your best Caribbean gear

27 Friday--Possible SJ 21 CLASS RACING: TBA

28 Saturday REGATTA: Southern Cascade Regatta, Rogue YC

Registration: 9:00 a. m. Skipper's Meeting 12:00 p. m.

Happy Hour: 6:00p.m. Dinner: 6:45p.m.-8:00p.m Chili Feed!

29 Sunday REGATTA: Southern Cascade Regatta, Rogue YC

Skipper's meeting and First Shape: flexible start to accommodate for best winds.

[\[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!\]](#)

For camping registration at Howard Prairie Lake Resort go to the following link: www.hplake.com

Help Requests from the Board

Help Needed on Social Events!

Hi all, we are looking for volunteers to oversee/coordinate the following two events: 1) The SAILstice Potluck on June 23rd and 2) The Cheeseburger In Paradise Potluck on July 21st. Please call or email Jeanne Klein at 608-9113 or jklein1965@yahoo.com if available. Jeanne will be out of town but is looking for help to take on one or both of these fun events!

Cruiser's Corner

Meal Suggestions for Cruising

Breakfast

- 1 Bread, Bagels, English Muffin (toasted on the grill)
- 2 Jams, Peanut Butter, Cream Cheese
- 3 Cereals, Muesli
- 4 Blueberry, banana and walnut muffins (baked on the boat)
- 5 Yogurt, Bananas, Oranges

Lunch

- 1 Ham, Turkey & Cheese Sandwiches, Tuna Salad Wraps
- 2 Smoked Salmon & Cream Cheese Bagels
- 3 Oven-Baked Ham and Vegetable Frittata
- 4 Nachos with all the fixings: BBQ chicken (leftover from the fajitas, below), olives, green onions, salsa, bell peppers, jalapeño peppers and cheese.

Dinner

- 1 Burgers (on the barbecue), Pork and Beef Marinated Kebabs with brown rice and vegetables
- 2 Fajitas with BBQ chicken, sautéed bell peppers and onions, served with guacamole, fresh coriander, lettuce, salsa and cheese
- 3 Fish "En Papillote" baked on the barbecue served with broccoli and rice flavored with chick peas, green onions, coriander and Indian spices
- 4 Tomato, Tuna, Olives, Capers and Parmesan Cheese Pasta

Snacks

- 1 Tortilla chips and salsa
- 2 Assorted nuts, dried cranberries, Apples and cheddar cheese
- 3 Cantaloupe and watermelon
- 4 Hummus, chips and chopped vegetables
- 5 Assorted granola bars

Racer's Corner Impending Campaign Dates

June 16-17, 2012: **Half-Klam** Overnighter at Klamath Yacht Club

June 23, 2012: **Trans-Klam** at Klamath Yacht Club

June 30-July 1: **Firecracker Regatta** at Klamath Yacht Club

International Laser Class Rules: PARTS 2 & 3

Last month we published part 1 of the Laser Class Rules. However, parts 2 and 3 take up too much space for this newsletter. Instead, listed below is the web address for the remaining rules:

http://www.laserinternational.org/sites/default/files/Current_Rules.pdf

Included on this site are great photos and illustrations to help with class compliance.

Part two & three rules include the following topics:

1. MEASUREMENT DIAGRAMS
2. MEASUREMENT
3. CONTROL SYSTEMS, CONTROL LINES & FITTINGS
4. SAIL REGISTRATION NUMBERS
5. MAST
6. CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT
7. SAILING REQUIREMENTS
8. HULL COATINGS
9. CLASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP
10. ADVERTISING
11. HULL FINISH
12. TRANSOM DRAIN BUNG
13. SELF BAILER
14. CENTERBOARD
15. RUDDER
16. TILLER

Around the Docks

Notes on RYC History

Contributed by Dana & Pat Collins

This Year (2012) the 50th commodore is Derek Bud, dues are \$80 and the **First Annual RYC Southern Cascade Regatta at Howard Prairie Lake** will be held on July 28 and 29. According to the RYC board there are many changes in the works to make this year's races memorable.



10 years ago (2002) Pete Livers was RYC's 42nd commodore, dues were \$50, the Commodore's Dinner was at Pinehurst Inn, and the HP Regatta had 54 boats; the air was smoky due to surrounding forest fires.

20 years ago (1992) Gene Daly was RYC's 32nd commodore, dues were \$50, Commodore's Dinner was at Mon Desir costing \$16.50, and the predecessor to the HP Regatta the "Dead Indian Regatta" was canceled due to low water.

30 years ago (1982) John Refsnider was RYC's 22nd commodore, dues were \$25, Commodore's Dinner was at Mon Desir costing 6.50, there was snow at HP on May 9, and the Dead Indian Regatta had a 100 boats.

40 years ago (1972) Sheldon Rio was RYC's 12th commodore, dues were \$20, Commodore's Dinner was at Mon Desir costing \$5.00, the First RYC Dead Indian Regatta was held with 70 boats in light wind, RYC hosted the C-Lark Nationals with 40 boats in strong winds

50 years ago (1962) Herb Hoser was RYC's second commodore and 1962 was his second consecutive year in that office, Commodore's Dinner was held at North's Chuck Wagon costing \$1.75, the sailing season began at Emigrant Lake and moved to the just filled Howard Prairie Lake in time to host the First Invitational Inter Club Regatta having 21 boats including an El Toro fleet, a Lido 14 fleet, and some Lightenings, with the local Sea Scouts winning in a Lightning Class boat.

C l u b B u s i n e s s

Board Approves Two New Memberships

Melissa Duval lives in Ashland and says she is busy being a mom (three children under 13) and nurse. Melissa loves the outdoors, and she is looking forward to learning to sail and buying a boat.

Mark and Melanie Miller are also from Ashland and have two children. Mark says, "My wife and I lived in Ashland for 21 years." Melanie is a hairstylist and Mark works as a master roaster at Maranatha Natural Foods. Mark says, "I have wanted to sail since I was a boy; my dream is to become a blue water sailor. The hard part is getting my wife to find her sea legs."

RYC Board Meeting: May 9, 2012 Minutes

Attending: Derek Budd, Commodore; Jay Harland, Vice Commodore; Jeanne Klein, Trustee #2; Roger Schnoes, Treasurer; Cindy Warwick, Rear Commodore; and Monty Zukowski, Secretary.

Derek called the meeting to order at 6:40.

Secretary's Report: Monty read the minutes and they were approved.

Treasurer's Report: March—we paid insurance, salmon bake food. April—free sail class food and supplies expenses.

We have ten members who haven't renewed we need to nag. Board approved the treasurer's report.

Vice Commodore's Report: Sent out sailing instructions for Lasers. Will get the rest of them sent out soon. Jay got the marine permit taken care of. Race committee coordination got delayed because the website went down for a few days. There's one race not chaired yet, on July 21, so Jay will start nagging.

Old Business

Free Sail Class: Derek commented on the Free Sail Class. Attendance was kind of low, 10-13 people over the two weeks. First night was a bit too much information at once, could use more activities and videos, less Powerpoint. The day at the lake went well. Medford might be a better venue to get more people. There was also a bit of miscommunication surrounding the food, which could be handled better next year.

Regatta Report: Derek did the design for the T-Shirt. Cindy has found a better company to do the T-Shirts and is moving forward on that. The registration forms will get mailed out June 1st. Jeanne is getting the food plan together. Roger mentioned some other swag items: maybe hats, keychain floats or water bottles. Cindy will get a catalog of promotional items so we can make a decision. We need to update the signs, banner, and trophy plates. The San Juans are interested in Friday races.

Website: Most of the enhancements have been put up there, Monty will follow up with the other changes. Derek will update the contact email so the bill will go to the right place.

By-Laws Update: Cindy and Monty made their updates to the by-laws, Roger will do so next.

New Business

Barge Launch Plans: Mark will go to John Wigen's to uncover the barge and touch it up to prepare for launching May 19th.

Race Rules Workshop: Jay will do the race rules workshop before the Icebreaker. Jeanne will arrange the potluck. Monty will update the sailing class information on the website to be current.

Next Meeting will be June 6th, 2012 at CSA Planning.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 p. m.

NOTICE: The July, 2012 edition of RYC *Tell Tales* is likely to be published a little later than usual since the editor will be joining RYC friends in the British Virgin Islands for a two week bare boat charter on a Beneteau 473.



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SJ 21 Reduced Sale Price

Ted and Marcia Fasy (*former RYC members*), due to health reasons, want to sell Ted's 1976 San Juan 21, **Ricochet**, sail #1720, for \$3,500. They have receipts for 6 sails originally worth almost \$4000. Ted did a lot of rigging on the boat, and it is in good shape. Ted felt that it was a competitive boat. Marcia says that Jane Anderson (*current RYC member*) knows the boat, since she crewed during races while Ted was a member. For information please contact Marcia Fasy at 541 226 2549 or 541 441 7627.

Sailing Gear For Sale Catalina 25 gear

- *150 Genoa (serviceable) roller furlled.
- *110 Jib (serviceable) hanked.
- *Mainsail (serviceable).
- *Storm Jib (serviceable) hanked.
- *Rebuilt brake winch for Swing Keel.

Other Goods

- *Flasher Depth Sounder - works - no thru hull needed.
- *7.5 ft. Quicksilver Inflatable, wood floor.
- *3.5 hp. Suzuki outboard.

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